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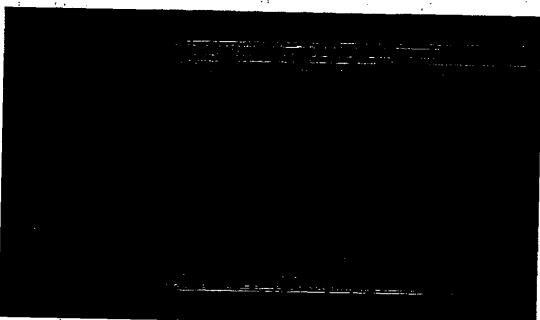
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2. CHILE://THE CHILEAN SUPREME COURT MONDAY REJECTED THE US REQUEST FOR EXTRADITION OF THREE CHILEAN SECURITY OFFI-CIALS NANTED FOR THE MURDER OF ORLANDO LETELIER. THE COURT MAY PLAN TO RECOMMEND THAT A LOCAL MILITARY COURT INVESTIGATE THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CHILEAN SECURITY AGENCY. PRELIMINARY PRESS REPORTS DO NOT MENTION THIS RECOMMENDATION, BUT THE COURT MAY BELIEVE IT SHOULD BE ANNOUNCED SEPARATELY FROM THE EXTRADITION RULING. WHAT-EVER THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE CASE, PRESIDENT PINO-CHET IS SAID TO BE OPTIMISTIC THAT THE REGIME CAN WEATHER FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC CRITICISM.//

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